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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - SEPT 24

1. U.S. COVERAGE VERY LIGHT.

--LONG ARTICLE IN PRAVDA BY Y. KRASIN WHO IS CC DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS CONSULTANT, RERUNS STANDARD LINE ON "DETENTE AND THE CLASS STRUGGLE". HE ARGUES THAT THE RELAXATION OF TENSIONS FOLLOWS FROM THE POLICY OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE WHICH WEST HAS RESISTED. CORRELATION OF FORCES IS CHANGING AND THE STRENGTHENED SOCIALIST CAMP NOW CAN IMPOSE PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE ON WEST. DETENTE LESSENS LIKELIHOOD OF WAR BETWEEN EAST AND WEST BUT DOES NOT LESSEN CLASS STRUGGLE AND CONTRADICTIONS IN WEST, RATHER IT INCREASES THEM AND FURTHER STRENGTHENS SOCIALIST CAMP. AUTHOR, HOWEVER, DOES NOTE THAT DETENTE "COMPLICATES THE STRUGGLE OF BOURGEOIS AND SOCIALIST IDEOLOGY", MAKES IT EASIER FOR FORMER TO USE REVISIONIST AND NATIONALIST ELEMENTS AS TROJAN HORSES IN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

--PRAVDA AND KZ REPORT SCHMIDT STATEMENT TO GERMAN PRESS THAT BREZHNEV VISIT WHICH WILL COME AFTER OCTOBER 3 ELECTIONS IS OF "GREAT SIGNIFICANCE" AND THAT HE LOOKS FOR IT TO GIVE "NEW IMPULSE" TO FRG-USSR RELATIONS.

--TASS NEW YORK ITEM PRINTED IN PRAVDA REPORTS GROMYKO MEETING WITH OTHER COMMUNIST STATE DELEGATIONS TO UNGA, INCLUDING VIETNAMESE AND NORTH KOREA UNGA OBSERVERS.

--PRAVDA REPORTS THE STATEMENT OF THE SOVIET-JAPAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY OPPOSING THE "ILLEGAL ACTIONS OF THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES" CONCERNING THE "FORCED LANDING" OF THE SOVIET PLANE. THE STATEMENT DESCRIBES JAPANESE ACTION AS "INTOLERABLE ARBITRARINESS," WHICH IS AGAINST "ELEMENTARY NORMS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND GENERALLY-ACCEPTED PRACTICE". IT CONSTITUTES A "THREAT" TO SOVIET-JAPANESE RELATIONS, SAYS THE STATEMENT, WHICH CONCLUDES BY CALLING FOR THE EARLY RETURN OF THE PLANE TO ITS "LEGAL OWNER".

--BELGRADE TASS STORY IN PRAVDA FOLLOWS UP SUPREME SOVIET VISIT TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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YUGOSLAVIA AND RECORDS MESSAGE FROM BREZHNEV THROUGH DELEGATION WISHING TITO SPEEDY RECOVERY FROM UNIDENTIFIED ILLNESS.

--SHORT ARTICLE ON TEAMWORK 76 EXERCISE IN KZ HAS FIRST MENTION WE HAVE SEEN OF F-14 TOMCAT LOSS. TASS LONDON SIMPLY MENTIONS THIS WAS ONE OF THREE PLANE CRASHES IN MANEUVER; BOTH TOMCAT CREWMEN SAID TO HAVE DIED.

--CENTRAL PRESS CARRIES NO COVERAGE OF SECRETARY'S AFRICA TRIP OR RELATED DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

-- PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA MENTION LOW-LEVEL CPSU DELEGATION VISIT TO GUINEA-BISSAU. PRAVDA MENTIONS EXPULSIONS OF TWO U.S. DIPLOMATS FROM MADAGASCAR.

--IZVESTIYA "INTERNATIONAL NOTES" ARTICLE BY B. PILYATSKIN USES OCCASION OF GABON WITHDRAWAL FROM OCAM TO CRITICIZE THAT ORGANIZATION.

--ON LEBANON, BOTH PRAVDA AND KZ CARRY OBJECTIVE TASS BEIRUT REPORT ON SARKIS ACCESSION TO OFFICE. SARKIS IS QUOTED ON INTENTION TO BASE RELATIONS WITH PALESTINE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT ON "MUTUAL TRUST AND RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY OF LEBANON".

--IZVESTIYA HAS "RETORT" BY CAIRO SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT R. MOSEYEV ON FAILURE OF "OPEN DOOR" POLICY TO ATTRACT SIGNIFICANT FOREIGN INVESTMENT.

--IZVESTIYA HAS A "PRESS-SERVICE" ARTICLE ON ALLEGED U.S. PRESS CAMPAIGN AGAINST PANAMA.

--PRAVDA DESCRIBES MEETING BETWEEN SUPREME SOVIET PRESIDUM CHAIRMAN PODGORNYY AND VISITING VENEZUELAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION.

--PRAVDA CARRIES A TASS BANGKOK ITEM REPORT SENI'S RESIGNATION OVER THE ISSUE OF THANON'S RETURN.

2. U.S. COVERAGE VERY LIGHT. ONLY ITEM OF NOTE IS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IN CENTRAL PRESS OF DEATH OF CHILEAN POLITICAL LEADER, ORLANDO LETELIER IN AUTO BOMBING WHICH PRAVDA'S SPECIAL WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, G. VASIL'EV BLAMES ON CHILEAN JUNTA. PRAISE OF LETELIER FROM AROUND THE WORLD IS NOT MATCHED BY ANY CRITICISM OF U.S. COVERAGE NOTES FBI INVESTIGATION AND HOUSE RESOLUTION SUPPORTED BY 131 REPRESENTATIVES CALLING FOR FEDERAL INVESTIGATION. MATLOCK

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